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State Plan Amendment NH-22-0046: *State Government Owned Psychiatric Hospital DSH Methodology Clarification*

The New Hampshire (NH) Department of Health and Human Services (the Department) makes Disproportionate Share Hospital (DSH) payments to state government owned psychiatric hospitals that provide essential access to hospital services. The Department proposes to amend its Medicaid State Plan to clarify its description of state government owned psychiatric hospitals that qualify for the DSH payments, and to clarify payment methodology for quarterly interim payment calculation.

The Department is seeking an effective date of November 10, 2022 for these proposed clarifications.

The modification to the language clarifies the state government owned psychiatric hospital DSH payment methodology. There is no fiscal impact expected as a result of the clarifying language revision. However, Hampstead Hospital became a state government owned psychiatric hospital in June 2022, and the Department estimates the following fiscal impact as a result of the purchase:

Hampstead Hospital Estimated DSH Payment	Non-Federal Fiscal Impact	Federal Fiscal Impact	Total Fiscal Impact
Federal Fiscal Year 2023	\$1,804,883	\$1,804,883	\$3,609,766
Federal Fiscal Year 2024	\$1,665,577	\$1,665,577	\$3,331,154

Copies of the draft State Plan page describing the proposed updates are available. Please contact Janine Corbett at (603) 271-9421 or via e-mail at janine.s.corbett@dhhs.nh.gov to request copies. The amendments to the NH Medicaid State Plan pages may undergo further revisions before and after submittal to the Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services (CMS) based upon public comment or CMS feedback. **Comments will be due on or before November 28, 2022** and should be e-mailed to janine.s.corbett@dhhs.nh.gov or sent to the Department of Health and Human Services, Division of Medicaid Services, 129 Pleasant Street- Brown Building, Concord, NH 03301-3857, ATTN: Janine Corbett.